

City of Concord Weekly City Manager Newsletter

September 26, 2014

MAIN STREET PROJECT

Light construction on Main Street will begin next week, and pavement sawing and test pit digging will continue. Test pits will be marked off ahead of time and will occupy a few parking spaces at a time, helping to determine underground utility locations. These pits will be filled immediately following work, and parking will re-open promptly thereafter. Traffic patterns on Main Street will see slight adjustments but two-way traffic will be maintained.

ROUTE 3 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS - PENACOOK VILLAGE

During the past week, the contractor continued with drainage installation heading south from Coral to Stark Street. The retaining wall cap in front of #219 Village Street was reset and the curbing and sidewalks were removed to prepare for the road work. Striping of road lines, parking and crosswalks occurred as well. Next week, the contractor will continue with drain and sewer replacement work and will begin removing the old concrete roadway and rebuilding the new roadway with reclaimed materials. One-way traffic will be maintained throughout the work zone. Delays can be expected.



SEWALLS FALLS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

As part of the Sewalls Falls Bridge Replacement Project, and in an effort to protect sensitive environmental resources, brook floater river mussels within the project area require relocation prior to the work commencing. Qualified biologists are actively assessing state endangered mussel populations and relocating them outside of the project area. Final design and permitting of the new bridge continues.



PROPERTY TAXES

Residents are reminded that property tax payments for the second quarter are due on October 1st. Property tax bills containing the October 1st payment coupon were mailed with the July 1st payment coupons on May 28th.

If you have not received, or have lost your bill, e-mail the Treasury/Collections Office at collection@concordnh.gov or call 225-8540 to request a duplicate copy.

OPEN HOUSE REGARDING PARKING STRATEGIC PLAN



A community open house will be held on Monday, October 6th, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, at the Capitol Center for the Arts. The open house will allow downtown business owners, employees, residents and patrons to learn about and offer their insights regarding the City's parking system, including but not limited to management practices for on-street and leased spaces; rates; hours of enforcement; residential permits; signage; fines and penalties; maintenance and capital improvements; customer service and other parking related policies and procedures. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.



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OPERATION WARM



The Concord Fire Unions have teamed up with Cheers Grille & Bar to raise money for *Operation Warm* to purchase winter coats for needy children.



Cheers will donate 25% of all purchases made by patrons for the cause.

For more information, contact Mark Hebert, (603) 305-3524.

LIBRARY TO
HOST
MYSTERY
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CROMBIE



Mystery Author Deborah Crombie will visit the Concord Public Library on **Thursday, October 2nd**, at **7:00 PM**, to read from her new Duncan Kincaid/Gemma James mystery, "To Dwell in Darkness". This is Crombie's first ever Northeast tour. The event is presented in partnership with Gibson's Bookstore.

TREE PLANTINGS

This past week, the Parks and Cemetery staff were busy planting a total of 23 trees in parks and cemeteries. Eight trees were planted in White Park, four in Merrill Park, and 11 in Pine Grove Cemetery. Ryan Rambeau, Tree Supervisor at the General Services Department, met with Parks and Cemetery staff to recommend different varieties of trees and suitable locations to plant them. The following species of trees were planted: Acer rubrum, Maackia amurensis, Syringa reticulata, Ulmus Americana 'Princeton', Gleditsia 'skyline', and Gleditsia 'Halka'.





EVERETT ARENA ICE

The ice at the Douglas N. Everett Arena is back in place for another season! Last week, the arena converted from concrete to ice for the skating season. Creating the ice requires a lot of measuring for exact painting. Visit Concord General Services' Facebook page for pictures of the painting process, or watch their YouTube video to view it. Public skating occurs now through March 18, 2015. The arena also offers adult and youth stick practice, as well as skating lessons. View the Arena webpage for more information. Be sure to attend a hockey game this season or come have some fun ice skating!

